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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of : September 13, 2004  
E. S. Eleftheriou, et al : Group Art No.: 2133  
Serial No. 09/902,859 : Examiner: Shelly Chase  
Filed: July 11, 2001 : IBM Corporation  
Anne Vachon Dougherty  
3173 Cedar Road  
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
LOW DENSITY PARITY CHECK  
ENCODING OF DATA

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**FOR RESPONSE (37 CFR 1.17(a))**

Commissioner of Patents  
Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit a Petition for Extension of Time for Response (37 CFR 1.17(a)). The period for response to the Office Action in the above-identified application, which was set to expire on August 12, 2004 will now expire on September 13, 2004, since the 12th of September fell on a Sunday. Applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$110.00 as payment for the one month extension.

Respectfully submitted,  
E.S. Eleftheriou, et al

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